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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Takuji MATSUMOTO, et al.

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FOR: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND METHOD OF MANUFACTURING THE SAME

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**REFERENCES**

- The applicant(s) wish to make of record the reference listed on the attached Chinese Office Action dated March 5, 2004, and on the attached form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed reference is attached.
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**RELATED CASES**

- Attached is a list of applicant's pending application(s) or issued patent(s) which may be related to the present application. A copy of the patent(s), together with a copy of the claims and drawings of the pending application(s) is attached along with PTO 1449.
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